Manufacturers of sweetened aerated waters with no fruit content or less than 10 per cent of it make the declaration that these contain no fruit or pulp.

(b) and (c) Sweetened aerated waters are covered under the Fruit Products Order, 1955 with a view to regulating their quality and marketing, as they compete with fruit-based drinks. The declaration is not misleading, but in fact makes the nature of the product clear to the consumer.

Development of Horticulture

*337. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any strategy has been worked out by the National Horticulture Board for the development of a horticulture programme during the remaining period of the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the amount provided in the Seventh Five Year Plan for this sector?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI G. S. DHILLON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The strategy basically aims at expansion of area, increase in productivity of fruits and vegetables and to develop appropriate post-harvest technology for reducing the losses of these perishable commodities.

(c) An outlay of Rs. 5 crores has been provided for Seventh Five Year Plan period to the Board.

Pdoject for Packaging of Foodstuffs

*338. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NAFED is seeking a tie-up with a foreign company for the packaging of foodstuffs and if so, the details of the project;

(b) whether the project has been cleared by Government, and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the NAFED is also engaged in increasing the production of those farm products which it is exporting or is planning to export and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI G. S. DHILLON): (a) NAFED has not formulated any project proposal for foreign collaboration in packaging of foodstuffs.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) NAFED is not directly engaged in agricultural production. However, the marketing and export services provided by NAFED have an impact on the production of agricultural commodities handled by it.

Condition of Children Homes in Delhi

*339. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the condition of children in the childern homes in Delhi is very deplorable;

(b) whether Government propose to institute any enquiry in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Some